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SUBJ: DEMONSTRATION AGAINST U.S. MARINES TO UTAPAO

1. APPROXIMATELY 20-25 THAI DEMONSTRATED IN FRONT OF THE MAIN GATE TO THE EMBASSY COMPOUND FROM 1140 UNTIL NOON MAY 15 IN PROTEST AGAINST THE DISPATCH OF U.S. MARINES TO UTAPAO. THE DEMONSTRATORS MADE ANTI-AMERICAN SPEECHES AND HUNG POSTERS ON THE EMBASSY GATE. THEY ASKED TO SEE THE AMBASSADOR AND PRESENT A LETTER OF PROTEST TO HIM. WHEN TOLD THAT THE AMBASSADOR WAS NOT AVAILABLE, THEY AGREED TO PRESENT THE LETTER TO AN EMBASSY OFFICER FOR FORWARDING. FOLLOWING PRESENTATION OF THE LETTER, THE DEMONSTRATORS DISPERSED.

2. THE LETTER OF PROTEST WAS TYPED ON LETTERHEAD STATIONERY OF THE SATCHATHAM (TRUTH AND JUSTICE) PARTY, A LEFTIST GROUP AT RAMKHAMHAENG UNIVERSITY. FOLLOWING IS AN EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF THE TEXT OF THE LETTER:

BEGIN TEXT: "THE SATCHATHAM PARTY OF RAMKHAMHAENG UNIVERSITY NO. SP SPECIAL /2518

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SUBJECT PROTEST AGAINST THE U.S. DISPATCH OF MARINES TO UTAPAO

TO: YOU EXCELLENCY, AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO THAI CHARLES S. WHITEHOUSE

AT ABOUT 4:15 A.M. ON MAY 14 THE U.S. DISPATCHED APPROXIMATELY
800 MARINES TO UTAPAO IN THAILAND FOR INVASION OF FRIENDLY NEIGH-
BORING COUNTRIES LIKE CAMBODIA AND SUCH A MOVE CREATED DISTURBANCES
TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUN-
TRIES. THE SATCHATHAM PARTY CONSIDERS THAT THE ABOVE MOVE IN AN
ACT OF INFILTRATION AND A VIOLATION OF THAI SOVEREIGNTY, AND RUNS
STRONGLY COUNTER TO INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ETIQUETTE. THE SATH-
CHATHAM PARTY ACCORDINGLY PROTESTS AGAINST THE MOVE.

SINCERELY YOURS,

SATHCHATHAM PARTY. END TEXT
WHITEHOUSE

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